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New contract gives local elementary teachers a 2% raise

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Local elementary school teachers got an early Christmas present when they signed a new two-year contract with the Trillium Lakelands Board of Education last Tuesday.

Depending on where they are in the pay grid, the teachers will get a raise of at least 1.95%. Some teachers will get a 4.8% overall increase.

This means that the maximum salary a teacher can earn will rise to \$70,650 over the next two years, up from \$68,102.

The increases are retroactive to the start of the 2000/2001 school year.

A press release from the Trillium Lakelands Elementary Teachers Local says "this new agreement, along with the wonderful geography of the Trillium Lakelands district, will attract many excellent teachers to our district school board at a time of major teacher shortages, not only in Ontario but throughout Canada and the western world."

"We're very pleased to have this agreement settled," board chairperson Judy Saunders said in a board press release. "It's a good deal for both sides and because it's for two years, it will give the system some security and stability over an extended period."

Director of education Evelyn Brown said in an interview that the negotiations, which started in the fall, went very well.

Certainly, negotiations went more smoothly than the previous rounds of contract talks in the aftermath of the amalgamation of Victoria, Haliburton and Muskoka into the new district school board.

In the initial years, all the language from the three separate contracts had to be harmonized. As well, pay scales for teachers in Haliburton County were higher than in the other two former boards, so salaries had to be harmonized as well.

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MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Silent Night in sign

The Stuart Baker Elementary School did a special version of

Silent Night using sign language during last week's delightful Christmas concert at the Haliburton school. For more concert pictures see pages 12, 16, 17

The spirit of giving thrives in the Highlands

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

If the 4Cs Christmas drive is any indication, the warm and giving spirit of the holidays is clearly alive and well in Haliburton.

Chairman Bruce James says the people of the Highlands have once again pulled together and given with their hearts.

"The donations are pouring in, the gifts are pouring in. The community assistance is overwhelming," says James. "We haven't had to make any appeals, people just automatically respond every year and this year is no exception."

As an example, he says a woman recently gave the 4Cs a \$50 donation. A few years earlier, she had been a recipient of a Christmas food hamper and she said the donation was her way of paying back the 4Cs for its generosity during her time of need. In the fall, a woman

dropped by and after asking a few questions, wrote out a cheque for \$500.

Last week the 4Cs were busy wrapping up the donations into 200 boxes for needy singles and families across the county. The boxes include food and vouchers for the recipients to buy a turkey and all the trimmings for a Christmas dinner.

The organization, which is made up of

volunteers from the seven churches in Haliburton, also provides gifts for children 16 and under. James says the gifts are all very meaningful.

"Yesterday for example we needed toys for two nine-year-old boys and in comes two great hockey sets. And it just seems that every year is the same thing in relation to the money, in relation to

See **4Cs** page 4

January 1 is party time at Head Lake Park

The millennium started with a bang last January 1, and the family celebration in Haliburton village's Head Lake Park was such a success, the municipality of Dysart et al is once again hosting an outdoor party.

On January 1 starting at three, there will be free horse-drawn sleigh rides, dog sled rides for children and, it's

hoped, other games and activities for the young at heart.

To help keep people warm, the municipality will also provide free hot chocolate and hot dogs.

To top it all off, there will be a beautiful fireworks display over the white expanse of Head Lake starting at about five.

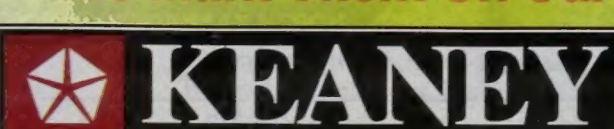
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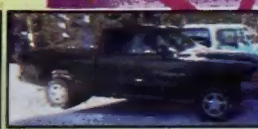


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Award named for former OPP staff sergeant

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news and events worth noting

It's one thing to win an award; it's another thing to have an award named after you. That honour was recently bestowed upon Kennisis Lake resident Bill Elliott, who retired from a long and successful career in the police force, culminating in being staff sergeant of the Minden/Coboconk OPP. The OPP Association has named its Member of the Year Award after him and his picture recently graced the cover of its magazine as he



Bill Elliott, right, presents the award named after him

presented the first award to Rick Plato. The magazine says "since joining the OPP in 1968, Bill has always been a staunch supporter and advocate of the association. He was a branch executive member of No. 1 and No. 8 branches, and since his retirement has remained active in both the OPPA and the Vets' Association in No. 8. Bill manages to stay current with the issues and can always be counted on for valid advice and input during branch meetings. He continues to attend all branch meetings, as well as both the spring board and annual general meeting, and he always brings with him a sense of camaraderie. It is for these reasons that the board of directors is proud to acknowledge Bill Elliott by naming the OPPA Member of the Year Award after him." All of his friends in the Highlands also extend their congratulations to him for the high esteem in which he's held by his peers.

In last week's Echo, a picture of three young girls making gingerbread at Stuart Baker Elementary School was used to illustrate a story on various nutrition programs at the school. The picture and the story were not related in any way and the Echo regrets any misunderstanding this pairing may have caused.

Do you have a lot of wonderful photos from Christmas and want to make sure they pass the test of time? On Tues., Jan. 9 from 6 to 9 p.m. or Wed., Jan. 17 from 1 to 4 p.m., the Dorset Rec Centre is hosting a creative memories scrapbooking class. You will receive a demonstration on the hows and whys of photo preservation as well as complete a one- or two-page layout of your own photographs using the instructor's tools. One class is \$15, two is \$25 and pre-registration is required. Please call Ruth at 766-1148. Meanwhile, in February the centre will be holding workshops on "croknitting", \$5 per person. Call 766-9968 for details.



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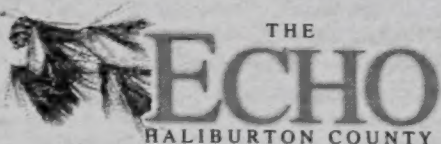
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"Let the mummers come in!"

Harry and Jean Randell fondly remember a Newfoundland tradition

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

If you knock on Harry and Jean Randell's door over the next few days, don't be surprised if they answer with "Let the mummers in!"

In their youth, that invitation would be heard in the small villages all along the Newfoundland coast, one of the only places in the world where the old custom of mummering was kept alive.

"I did it myself one time," remembers Harry, who grew up in Port Rexton, Trinity Bay and now lives in Stanhope. "It was almost like Hallowe'en. It started the day after Christmas and it went through to the 6th of January."

Mummering shares its cultural roots with wassailing, which in turn evolved into carollers going from door to door.

In Newfoundland, the tradition is still practised but perhaps not as much as in the Randells' youth.

As they describe it, mummers took great care in disguising themselves. They'd find old clothes they hoped no one would recognize, choosing something that was a size or two bigger than they were so they could fill it out artificially. (If it was a size or two bigger in an outfit usually worn by a member of the opposite sex, all the better.) Then they'd cover their faces with a mask or veil.

Then, in small groups, they'd walk or go by sleigh to a house and knock on the door of a village house. If the people inside were feeling well and in an hospitable mood, the mummers would be beckoned inside with a cry of "Let the mummers in."

"People were expecting you because this was the highlight of Christmas," says Jean, who left her home of Port Rexton, Trinity Bay, when she was 15. "They'd have a dish of Christmas cake on the table and a concentrated syrup in different flavours (to which they'd add water to make a favourite drink.) Sometimes you'd get hot chocolate, depending on how cold you were."

"You'd go in and more or less celebrate," her husband says. "Sometimes there'd be enough of you and you'd have an accordion or another piece of music and have a dance."

But during the festivities, the people whose home was being invaded by these costumed mummers would try

MIEN PIZZEY/Echo



"This was the highlight of Christmas," say Stanhope's Jean and Harry Randell, who grew up in Newfoundland and participated in the ancient tradition of mummering. Between Christmas and New Year's, people would disguise themselves and go from house to house, hoping they wouldn't be recognized.

to guess who was underneath all that disguise.

"They'd sit and ponder - 'where did I see that jacket before, where did I see that dress before,'" says Mrs. Randell. The mummers would try to change their voices to make the guesswork even more difficult.

"If they didn't know who you were," says the experienced mummer, "you'd say goodnight and on you'd go out the door," pleased as punch that you had fooled someone who would have recognized you instantly if it wasn't for the costume.

"Next day there'd be a big chatter" as people talked over which mummers had been to their house and what they were wearing, Mrs. Randell says. They'd compare notes about the visitors and who was dressed in what. It was a source of pride to be able to identify mummers who had stumped the others.

"It was a lot of fun," says Mr. Randell, noting that in those days, "you didn't have much but you enjoyed what you had and mummering was the only entertainment you had."

Also in those days there were no roads in or out of the

village. The men would be a bit more adventurous and travel by sleigh, but the women generally stayed within walking distance of home. That meant the people on whose door you were knocking knew their visitors, even if they couldn't recognize them. That knowledge made them feel safe opening their doors to these "strangers."

Another tradition which has largely fallen out of favour is the New Year's day parade. Everyone would go to church January 1 in the morning and then the various groups would march to the village hall, where a meal would be prepared for them. Mr. Randell was a member of the Society of United Fishermen, who were feted in such a manner.

As much as they remember these traditions with fondness, the Randells did not try to transport these customs to Canada when they left Newfoundland. But the memories remain fresh and vibrant, ready to be kindled into colourful stories when someone drops in for a visit in a more conventional manner.

Seatbelt saves woman from injury after her car rolls over on Hwy. 118

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

A woman from Cranberry Lake is crediting her seatbelt for saving her from serious injury after her car spun out of control and landed on its roof in a ditch on Hwy. 118 last Monday.

"I was lucky," Lisa Barry says. "If I didn't have it on I could have easily broken my neck."

She had left work at the Haliburton LCBO early late last Monday afternoon and was heading for home when she came upon the corner at the modular home sign.

The road was slippery so she reduced her speed to 50 km an hour.

"I just rounded the corner and that was it," she says. She went from one side of the road to another, found herself pointed in the opposite direction before heading into the ditch where her car rolled onto its roof.

Hanging upside down from her seatbelt and disoriented, not knowing if her car could be seen from the

road, she started screaming until she realized that wouldn't help "so I just lay on the horn."

A couple was the first to come to her rescue followed by two gentlemen. They helped her undo her seatbelt and climb through the passenger door.

"I just thank God they had stopped because I had left work early and my husband Mark wouldn't have thought to come and look for me," she says.

Apart from a sore shoulder and a bad case of nerves, Barry is fine and was back to work on Wednesday.

"It was something else, I tell you."

Contract stability gives the board of education opportunity to tackle other issues

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Now that the Trillium Lakelands District School board has signed new contracts with staff, it has the stability it needs to begin facing other major issues, says the director of education.

The board wants to improve its safe schools policy, Evelyn Brown says. Emphasis will be placed on guidelines for suspensions and alternate learning sites for suspended students.

As well, now that the province has released its policies on school councils, the board can work on its guidelines for the role these community advisory groups play.

There always is ongoing work to improve curriculum, Brown said, noting that the board's goal to improve EQA testing results over two years was achieved in one year.

As well, work will advance on

the board's leadership role in creating a wide area network communications system.

One issue that is both problematic and frustrating is transportation funding. The board says it is not given enough money from the province to cover the costs, let alone make the desired changes to service.

"That's still an ongoing agony for us," she says, "because we'd really like to improve what we've got out there."

Overall, she faces the new year with a sense of optimism. The transition from the three school boards of Victoria, Haliburton and Muskoka has not been without its challenges, and she praises the stewardship of former Haliburton trustee Cheryl Murdoch for "the ongoing positiveness."

She also congratulated all staff for their efforts in making the transition as smooth as it has been. "We've really come a long way and staff have gone way beyond the call of duty."

Elementary contract talks focused primarily on salaries

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In this most recent round of contract talks, Bill 74, which caused so much strife with high school teachers, was not as much of an issue, Brown says. Many of the provincial reforms affect high school teachers more than elementary teachers.

"The really hardcore issues that are inherent in Bill 74 did not affect elementary teachers in the same way," she said in an interview with The Echo.

These contract talks focused

mainly on salary.

The union says the new deal also results in improvements to their benefit package, preparation time and language covering teachers' working conditions.

Brown says that as well as the board and union's negotiators, there was also a mediator from the Labour Relations Board, a practice which is becoming quite common.

"Sometimes have that third voice can cut through barriers," she says.



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

The week before Christmas, Bruce James and Ave Petch of the 4Cs were busy packing up their cars with Christmas food and toy hampers. Two hundred boxes packed with food and vouchers for a turkey and all the trimmings were distributed.

4Cs once again "overwhelmed" by generosity of community

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the groceries, in relation to the presents. We're just overwhelmed by this community."

Donations to the organization, which does not receive any subsidies from the provincial or federal governments, have come from individuals,

families and businesses. James also gives credit to the municipality which provides the 4Cs with their accommodation on Maple Avenue in Haliburton.

"It's a big, big, big boost."

James says the strength of the community helping each other may also be one of the

reasons there are fewer people who require the 4Cs' services.

"There are fewer families in need, which is very heartening to us," says James. "Each month over the past 12 months it's either been a little bit less in numbers or just about the same as the previous year."

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Council briefs

Stanhope ends year with all of its budgets in line

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports from Stanhope's special council meeting of December 20.

After having a look at the township's expenditure reports, council was happy to note that overall they looked very good and it was likely that all committees would come in under budget.

ERIK MARTENSSON/Echo



This is the last council of the township of Stanhope, which as of January 1, 2001 will amalgamate with Sherborne et al. From left: standing: Councillor Jim Hicks, Councillor Tom Gardner, Deputy-reeve Murray Daniels, Councillor Ann Barker, Reeve Eleanor Harrison and Clerk-administrator Gerald Bain.

"It doesn't look like anybody is going to go over," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "I think the committee and department heads have done a good job."

Harrison said it is likely that the left over funds will be put into individual reserves for each committee for future use.

Hyland Crest administrator takes early retirement

Gary McKnight, the administrator of Hyland Crest, has decided to take an early retirement.

McKnight, who is also the county's former administrator, has been on sick leave since heart surgery several months ago.

This means he will not be part of the general transfer of staff from Hyland Crest to Haliburton Highlands Health

Services, which takes over ownership and management of the Minden nursing home on January 1.

A press release from the county office on behalf of Warden Jeanne Anthon says "the county thanks Mr. McKnight for his many years of dedicated service and wishes him a speedy return to health and a happy retirement."

Airport

Council has approved the installation of a door on the airport's second hangar as the mounting of a door on the airport's main hangar is coming in well under budget.

Council had originally budgeted \$30,000 for the original improvement but three weeks into the job it looks like it will come at around \$20,000.

Council approved the second door to be installed at a cost not to exceed \$6,000. It is estimated the motorized door for the second hangar will set Council back \$5,500 including installation.

"I think we might as well finish the project completely," said Reeve Harrison of the decision to go ahead with the sec-

ond door. "I think financially we're in a good situation."

Airport Manager John Packer thanked outgoing Deputy Reeve Murray Daniels and council for the assistance they have given to the airport.

"Murray's advice has been sage and certainly taken to heart and council has been very progressive," said Packer.

Council members also praised Packer for the hard work he has put into the airport.

Harrison said the incoming council is very supportive of the airport as well.

"I know the new council is behind the update of the new plan. I think if the new council does what it hopes to do, the airport will go places."

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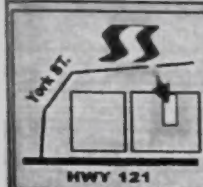
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Last week, Santa Claus and Haliburton Highlands OPP Const. Laura Ostler made the rounds of local grocery stores, picking up donations for the food banks' Christmas hamper program.

County's warden reflects on a productive year

LEN PIZZEY

Publisher

County warden Jean Anthon had high praise for her fellow county councillors as she outlined accomplishments of the past 12 months at council's final meeting of the year December 13.

"You demonstrate the best in leadership and local government," she said, reflecting on what she described as a "challenging but productive year."

Among the biggest issues on council's year 2000 agenda were the transfer of local ambulance service from the province to county control, and working out details of an agreement to transfer ownership of Hyland Crest senior citizens home from the county to Haliburton Highlands Health Services which takes place January 1, 2001.

Much of council's work over the year focused on matters that were ongoing when Anthon's year as warden began and will continue to concern local politicians and the wider community.

"(County councillors) demonstrate the best in leadership and local government"

JEANNE ANTHON

Perhaps the most important of these is the completion of the county official plan, which has been sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for approval. Anthon described the process of drafting the plan as "thorough and expeditious, involving the hard work of council members of the environment committee and the public."

"We set a tough agenda and we can be proud of the document" she said. "We recognize the plan is to be a dynamic document to be kept relevant to our county but it is a good first official plan."

The county's tree cutting by-law was another challenge council met in 2000. The by-law's "emphasis on education has been a model for the rest of the province," Anthon noted. "It was tough for us as we balanced industrial needs with the necessity to conserve our forests through sustainable practices."

The county's emergency plan got its first test with a heavy snowstorm the day before council met. Anthon said the plan had "been found wanting in some areas" and an effort will be made to improve it, notably in the plan's provisions for communications among county officials.

Other matters Anthon touched on her overview of the year included the civic addressing initiative which will eventually lead to local 911 emergency service, an increasing focus on demands for safe drinking water and more stringent septic system inspections, increasing costs and demands for social services, and the thorny issue of waste management and how to reduce pressure on local landfill sites.

"The commitment and dedication of all of you at this county council table to meet these demands on top of the arduous schedule around restructuring have been particularly impressive," Anthon said in expressing thanks to council members for their support during her year as warden.

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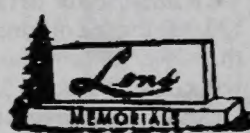
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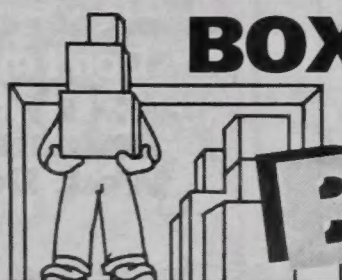
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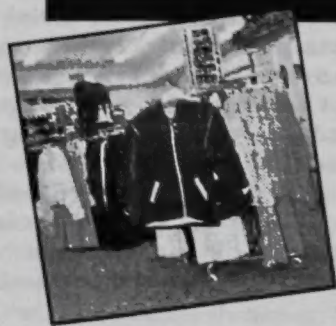
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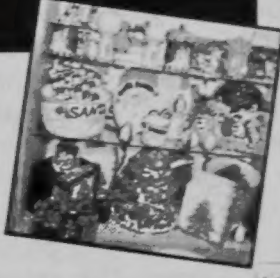
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New year happiness

As part of our annual tradition, here are some of the things we can be thinking about when we associate the word happy with the new year.

Evelyn Brown: When the school boards in Haliburton, Victoria and Muskoka were joined together to form the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, it was very much an arranged marriage, with the parent being the provincial government. Luckily, one of the new board's first decisions was to hire Evelyn Brown as its director. It's not just that she's been a tireless professional, working hard for the good of children in this district, but she's also demonstrated tremendous personal commitment to her job. Although

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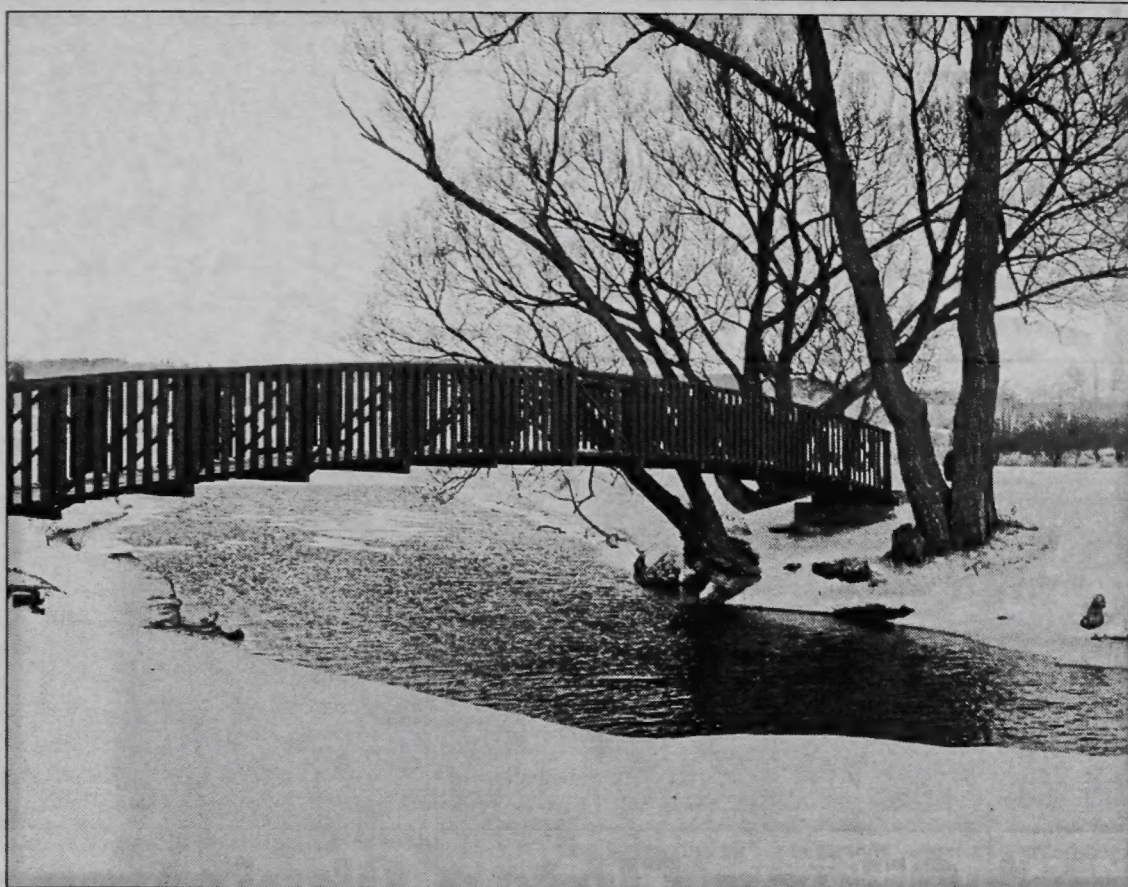
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she hasn't had to, she's attended many of the special events at local schools, from the honours and awards presentation at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School - on Thanksgiving weekend no less - to the autumn open house at Stuart Baker Elementary School. She knows the schools, she knows the teachers and she knows the challenges that each face in the Highlands. Here at The Echo, she constantly impresses us with how promptly she returns our calls and provides thoughtful answers to our questions. It's enough to make you look forward to wedding anniversaries.

Road crews: Remember the state of emergency? Remember the half metre of snow that fell overnight? As everyone patiently waited at home for the roads to be cleared, think about the men who drive those snowplows. How did they make it into work? And how did they feel less than a week later when they looked up those ice-covered hills and crossed their fingers that their sander would make it to the top without landing in the ditch? Theirs can be a tough job and nearly everyone in the Highlands is dependent on their doing it well. But making it into work those snowy mornings is a real testament to their dedication.

Adults who can still see the world with a child's eye: Usually, if you want to quickly get through Haliburton village's downtown core, you take the York Street "bypass." But now, who wants to do that with all the Christmas lights strung across the main street? It's a delight to drive up the street at night. The lights are a beautiful addition which create a festive atmosphere. Every year, Dysart et al has been adding to its light collection, both on the main street and along Head Lake Park. It's like a gift of good cheer in the darkest months of the year. Oh, we know there are those who will say such frivolity is a waste of taxpayers' money, or that the lights are gaudy, but you know what? Everyone needs a bit of kitsch in their lives. It brings out the kid in all of us and every adult needs to be able to do that every now and again.

The 4Cs' volunteers: Families have long been grateful to the Christmas food hampers distributed by the 4Cs, which runs Haliburton's food bank and Lily Ann clothing store. Year after year, the community supports this organization's efforts as a way of sharing goodwill among those who may have fallen on hard times. But there wouldn't be such tremendous support of the 4Cs if there wasn't a corresponding trust in the volunteer agency. People know that the 4Cs balances compassion with prudent respect of the donors' kindness. There's no waste, no abuse and no financial reward for the people doing the volunteer work. These people have kind, generous hearts and a tireless energy to do good. The entire community extends its heartfelt thanks.



Head Lake Park, Haliburton

by Len Pizzezy/Echo

We're a nation of complainers

It's New Year's - that time when many folks around the world gather to talk about the blessings of the past year. In most places that is but not in Canada where we will just continue to grumble about the many little things in our society that are less than perfect. Apparently that's how others see us - the great complainers.

Michael Ignatieff, this year's Massey Lecturer, author and historian, commented recently while being interviewed on the C.B.C. that six billion people think Canada is the best place on earth to live. Thirty million, however, - the inhabitants of this land - collectively through our expressed attitudes think differently. We frequently only see our perceived shortcomings as a society and we gripe.

In so many areas of day to day living, according to the statistics that the United Nations has compiled, we are #1. Perhaps we suffer from living next door to a nation that is constantly telling the world that it is number one. We seem to be the only people who take their bravado at face value.

In any country where I have resided, the locals with whom I interacted spoke of Canada as great - whatever the topic under discussion. I firmly believed it and was eager to return here to our roots. Oh, we knew that Canadians have a reputation abroad as being constantly down on themselves but we thought that like most generalities it was much overblown. Ha! We were only here a short time when we learned how true that assessment really was.

In one aspect of our society where the U.N. rates us as #1 we absolutely shine as complainers. That's health care. We only lived back here for a short time before we realized that it was "de rigour" to complain about the inadequacies that caused some to have less than stellar medical attention. No one seemed to be aware of the 'norm' in other highly developed countries. All anyone seems to know is that our system is not perfect. Name me something designed by human beings that is perfect.

Our national, present day perspective conveniently forgets what we had forty years ago and what our neighbour to the south still has. Do we ever stop and think how long it used to take to get to a hospital? In Toronto, for example, where all of the hospitals were only in the centre of the city, people felt lucky to be able to get there at all in an emergency. In California, that great progressive state, don't even try to get an ambulance or entry into the emergency room

without having either a valid charge card or proof of medical insurance with you - you will not be admitted. That's not a horror story, that's a daily fact of life.

Our news media caters to our national pastime of grumbling and those who have a vested interest in some aspect of a very human, imperfectly working system tend to foster such an attitude. Yes, sometimes things do go wrong. A cry then goes up that we have a system in crisis and more space or money or personnel or whatever is

needed.. I wonder what the headlines will be when it is supposed to take only two minutes anywhere in this land to obtain medical help and still someone inadvertently dies. Probably we will urge a one minute response as the only acceptable solution!

Canadians seem to have made an art form of using a particular example in an attempt to prove that the general state of any system is in dire trouble, never more so than when it comes to medical issues. One sad tale then becomes the rallying cry for the doom and gloomers. Our relatively large immediate family having lived in other countries and now back home are constantly amazed at how vitriolic are the voices and constant the complaints that try to paint our national health care system as something worn out and even broken.

I guess I was just away too long and still have not got the right attitude. As long as I continue to see Canadians as those other six billion do I'll just not be taken for the native born that I am.



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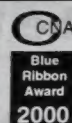
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And the award goes to...

I can't believe that the end of the year 2000 is almost upon us. It really is true that time flies when you are having fun, or something along those lines.

As is my custom at the end of the year, I like to look back on some of the events of the past twelve months and put my own spin on them. There were so many big news stories that I couldn't possibly pay tribute to them all so here are just a few that stuck in my craw, I mean mind.

The 'Tempest in a Teapot' Award I think would have to go to the whole Millennium fiasco. What started out as just another

New Year's Eve was soon propelled into mammoth proportions, with predictions of disasters, high tech mayhem and the end of the world. As we watched with bated breath, midnight came and went in every conceivable time zone with a whimper not a bang, except here in good old Haliburton where we hosted an earthquake. Who would have thought?

The 'Gee I Should Be Queen of the World' Award was neck and neck and so I have to award it to

both Oprah and Martha Stewart. Oprah, on her self-named (what a surprise!) television show, tells us how to heal ourselves, our loved ones as well as complete and utter strangers. As if that isn't enough, we can now buy her magazine called 'O' (and I don't think its for original), which preaches more of what is wrong with our life and how we can make it more like Oprah's (but don't let stress get to you, folks).

Martha can also be seen on Her television show, in Her magazine, strolling in Her magnificent home and garden and now, even in Her own department in Zellers. She doesn't tell you how to make your home more like hers because she knows you couldn't possibly do it as well as She does. I think these two together could put the Pope and G-7 Leaders on unemployment.

The 'Heads You Win' Award goes to the U.S. Electoral System. I think there is something seriously amiss when the self-appointed most powerful country in the world takes weeks to figure out who won their election. It isn't enough that they produced a ballot so confusing people needed an instructional manual to vote. No, they had to drag it through the mud, the courts and even down the highway before they could finally get a result and by then, nobody cared (that would infer that people cared in the first place). It is just like in Sweeps Week when they put on a mini-series for five nights that could have easily been wrapped up in one; 'Dimples and Chads in Palm Beach Part'. Those Yanks just don't get it do they.

The 'I Coulda Been A Contender' Award goes to Joe Clark in our recent Federal Election. I think credit has to be given to Joe for sticking it out after all these years, even in the face of Jean and his Red Book and Stock and his red jogging shorts. Right to the end, Joe was talking the talk in a calm and rational manner and to my mind, that is really something for someone from Parliament Hill.

Or Queen's Park. The 'The Hand in the Cookie Jar But It Wasn't My Fault' Award goes to the Provincial Conservatives. It was recently revealed that some members have been charging personal expenses above and beyond the call of duty, such as holidays, gifts and even giving the stock market a go.

When questioned, they said they thought they were charging 'On-Line Training' not 'On-Line Trading' and that it was all legit. And they say extra-curricular activities aren't important!

The 'And Things Were Going So Well' Award goes to the Sydney Summer Olympics. Despite the time difference, the doping scandals and the death of Mrs. Samaranch, things were going relatively smoothly for the Olympics.

Australia was well on its way to becoming a happening place. Then the Closing Ceremonies happened. What could they have been thinking staging a show that highlighted 'Pricilla Queen of the Desert' alongside 'Bananas in Pajamas' while really bad 70's music (even I have standards!) competed with a didgeridoo. I put it down to the heat and some over-the-counter drugs that found their way into the shrimp on the barbie.

The 'Mel Lastman Crisis' Award would have to go to Haliburton County for declaring a state-of-emergency after a snowfall that would have been deemed a mere dusting in the 1950's. It really makes one pause and think that if that is the phrase bandied about for heavy snowfall, what phrases will be left if something like say, war is declared.

Ok, enough is enough. I think you get my point. With all of the news that happens in a day, if we take it all too seriously, we're liable to go crazy. So for the New Year, I wish you all good health, happiness and most importantly, a sense of humour, because I think we're all going to need it for the next millennium.



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pic of the past

Snowshoeing is a winter tradition in Canada, but in the days when this photo was taken it wasn't just a form of recreation... it was an important means of getting around in the snow covered highlands. The young man shown here is well known local historian John Hulbig, and the woman with him is Eva Loucks. Our thanks to Mr. Hulbig for providing us with this photo, which is undated.

letters to the editor

Memories of Haliburton welcomed

To the Editor:

I was so pleased to see the photo of the frozen Head Lake in your December 5th issue. I lived in Haliburton 40 years ago when my family emigrated there from England.

My husband and I are going to visit again next year and I am so looking forward to seeing Haliburton once again.

It would be lovely if I could contact my childhood friend Lesley Armstrong. I know that her father was called Douglas and he had a wholesale fruit and vegetable business, and stone quarrying business in Minden.

Should anyone know of the family, I would love to hear from them either by email to ccallaghan@lineone.net or to 42 Chatsworth Ave, Winnersh, Wokingham, Berks, RG41 5EU, England.

I think my mother and father both worked at a dry cleaners in Haliburton for a man called Phurness Watts. Perhaps someone remembers them. They were Ivy and Bill Lawrence, but have sadly passed away.

Any memories would be most welcome.

Many thanks
Christine Callaghan (Lawrence)

Roads crews did an admirable job

To the Editor:

If anyone doubted the wisdom of "American Bantam Car Co." in developing the "Jeep" in 1940, it was quickly dispelled on Tuesday, December 12, 2000. The weather outside was frightful, but the "Jeeps" (and other four-wheel drives) were grinning from wheel to wheel. The word "Jeep" was derived from the letters G.P. (for general purpose vehicle).

However, a note of congratulations should go out to all the municipal township workers (in the

whole Haliburton district) who did an admirable job of plowing, sanding and cleaning up. Also, while the "emergency" plan proved to be a little less than perfect, it proved to be the right plan for the right time. A little refining should take away the rough edges.

Congratulations to all involved on a job well done.

Eddie Lehman,
Stanhope

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



Because of early deadlines for this issue, (Which we neglected to tell our cartoonist about!) we are republishing a cartoon that first appeared in The Echo a year ago.

Health care pressures grow with age

In my last article I discussed the impact on the county of Haliburton when, as is inevitable, the seasonal residents become permanent residents.

There is another scenario to be considered also. To the tourist, Haliburton is becoming a very desirable goal for retirement. Tucked away as the area is, below

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Algonquin Park with main highways which skirt it, attention is just beginning to focus on the county, its still pristine beauty and reasonably priced land opportunities.

To state that our current customer base for health care is going to increase exponentially is more than obvious. A key concern now is estimating demands for service and for service providers. By using present data aforementioned it is possible to forecast future demands for service with some accuracy. Ratios of client to population base must

be currently determined and updated with expanding service base. And responsibility will be shared amongst several service groups with a concern that each supplements the other and does not duplicate services.

Finding the service providers will be a more difficult problem to solve Province-wide. 12% of the population is now over 65 and in 25 years it will increase to 22%, with the foremost killer, heart disease and strokes increasing by 77% then. Hospitals will be jammed and at present rates there will not be enough health-care workers.

At home support we must increase the number of volunteers to satisfy forecast demand increases. We are encouraged to approach newly retired seasonal residents. Most of them are accustomed to an active life style and as an adjunct to their new life of leisure might welcome some community service role. Their accumulated skills would be a great asset.

Funding is of course a prime factor in planning for health care's future needs. On the larger scale, the feder-

al government is holding a surplus of funds. Health care is front and centre in the minds of all Canadians and must receive more financial support. It is to be hoped that through research and technology there will be breakthroughs in health care delivery soon, with more accent on preventive medicine. With a declining birth rate, one could envision that in years to come money will be diverted from education to meet the growing demands of the aging boomers.

Locally there are agencies and support groups for an aging population. I suspect that this is an aspect of living that we don't wish to explore, until advanced age or ill health forces us to investigate the possibilities of obtaining assistance. How else can there exist such widespread ignorance of the help available.

There is Supportive Housing with offices in Wilberforce, Haliburton, and Minden. All their services are covered by Ministry of Health. There is Home Support agency which enables seniors to stay in their own homes by providing a variety of services. There is the Access Centre which provides personal support through contracts with others: VON nursing, Red Cross, Homemakers and Paramed.

Next time I would like to report more fully on these organizations, their mandates, locations, what benefits are covered by the Ministry of Health and what must be paid for.

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It really doesn't take a whole lot of time to be healthy. Every 10 minutes of activity counts. Currently, only 38 per cent of our population is active enough to benefit their health. Physical inactivity puts people at a greater risk of such serious illnesses as coronary heart disease, osteoporosis, high blood pressure, Type II diabetes and certain types of cancer. Physical inactivity also puts children at risk for childhood obesity.

The Ontario government is committed to creating a healthier, more active, more vibrant Ontario. That is why, in late August, it launched a new physical activity strategy to help improve the health and well being of individuals and communities across the province. Titled Active Ontario, the strategy provides a comprehensive and co-ordinated approach to help Ontarians become more active in the places where they live, work, go to school and play.

Physical activity is for everyone. For kids, it means building strong, healthy bones and hearts. It increases confidence and improves self-esteem. For adults, physical activity helps to cope with everyday stress and provides the energy to be productive. And for older adults and seniors, it adds quality and years to their lives. Starting slowly is safe for most people.

Here are some ideas:

Go skiing, skating, or snowshoeing;

Put on an exercise video and work out along with it;

Sign up for an exercise class; or

Take your kids for a toboggan ride - the walk back up the hill will surely get your blood pumping.

For more information visit www.gov.on.ca/mczcr or the web site at www.activeontario.org

Do a little more, more often, and before you know it you will achieve what it takes to feel great.



VICTORIA CHALUIK submitted

Doing the two-step for 4Cs

Terry Matthews of Haliburton Dance Arts, foreground, was one of the people who led the study's marathon fitness and dance fundraiser for the 4Cs at the Haliburton Curling Club. Participants in the four-day event were asked to bring donations for the Christmas food bank program in lieu of your New Year's resolution to become more active. The study's purpose was to promote physical activity and health in the Haliburton and Muskoka regions.

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The Wilberforce Christmas Concert

Wilberforce Elementary School held their Christmas Concert at the Lloyd Watson Centre last week. The packed auditorium was treated to music, caroling, story telling as well as several other forms of holiday entertainment provided by the talented schoolchildren.

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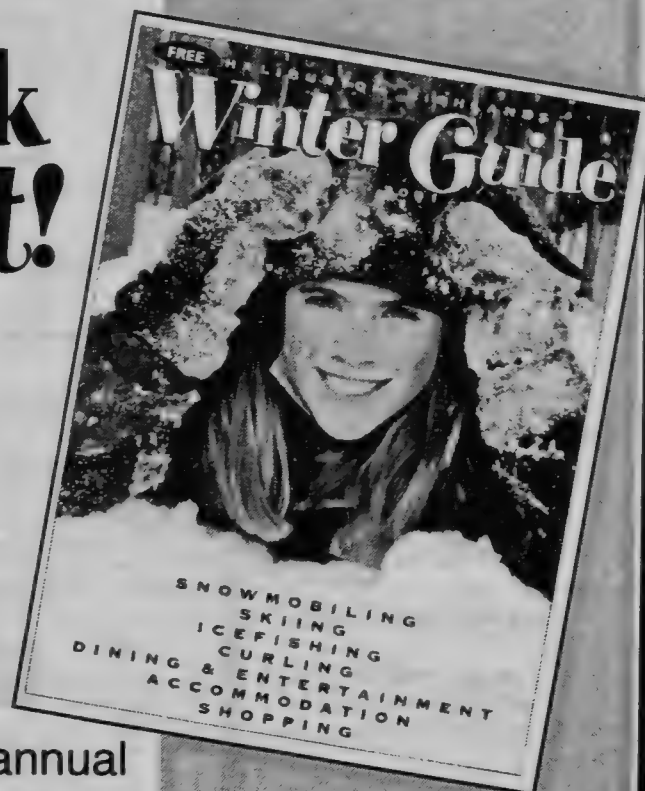
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Editor

WHEN YOU LIVE in a village that's Santa's third stop from the North Pole, Christmas can be quite a special time. But because it's also a dark time, people in the Arctic have to find their own way of creating a festive atmosphere.

Brian and Dorothy Menton look back on their Christmases in the Northwest Territories with deep fondness, filled with wonderful memories of all the friendships they enjoyed in their 27 years in the north.

"The celebration went on quite literally day and night because there was no day or night," Brian laughs when he remembers Christmas in Arctic Bay.

In fact, when the Mentons moved "south" with their three boys to Iqaluit, one of their sons didn't believe it could be Christmas because there was a hint of dusk in the sky. He thought darkness and Christmas went together like Santa Claus and the North Pole. (The North Pole, by the way, is only three stops from Arctic Bay. Only the villagers in Resolute and Grise Fiord live closer to Santa, a fact that delighted Matthew, Jonathon and Andrew Menton when they were young.)

The communities in the north really rallied together at Christmas. The most important event of the yearly social calendar was the Christmas concert. Every child would be on stage and every parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, cousin and sibling would be watching from the audience.

Decorations in those days were minimal. Living just below the Arctic Circle meant they were living north of the tree line, so real Christmas trees were scarce, and if you shipped them from the south, they were prohibitively expensive. Not many people decorated with lights, although with the advent of television, that's now more popular.



MARTHA PERKINS/ECHO

Dorothy and Brian Menton are not phased by winter's snow or cold after living 27 years in the Arctic.

Given that they were coping with 24-hour darkness, the community brightened up their lives with socializing.

Mrs. Menton remembers that special first Christmas in Fort Norman back in 1972. Freshly arrived to their teaching positions, the couple wasn't sure whether it was rude to join the dancing. How gratifying it was to be invited to join in and be made to feel like part of the community.

"It was incredible," she says.

During the holiday "everyone's house was open. You just wandered from house to house to house. The whole town seemed to be moving," Mr. Menton says.

Down at the community centre, "the drum dance could go on for days."

On New Year's the villagers tried to be a bit more accurate about the timing than they were with some of the other holidays that were introduced to the north by southern newcomers. (Mr. Menton remembers someone phoning him to ask "when's Hallowe'en?" because they'd choose a day to celebrate that was most convenient for the school, usually a Friday.)

On New Year's Eve, people ringed the bay with their

snowmobiles, their lights twinkling out the message of cheer and hope. At midnight, people would aim their guns into the air and shoot their tribute to the new year.

Getting involved in their communities was one of the commitments the Mentons made when they decided to move to the north in 1972.

They were young teachers wanting adventure and the opportunity to explore this fascinating part of Canada.

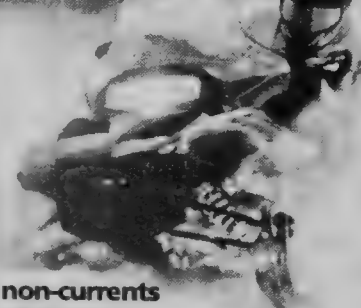
"We were lucky in that we were young and adaptable," Mr. Menton says. "We saw things as an adventure rather than an obstacle."

"We wanted to learn as much as we could - we were seeing a part of Canada that was unique," his wife adds. "We were lucky because we connected with the people. You either had to decide to be active in the community or just stay in your house and hate it."

An experience early on in their 27-year adventure made them realize that not every couple who came to the north to earn a living shared their philosophy. When Mrs. Menton arrived at her kindergarten class in Fort Norman, she found her book shelves lined with Dick

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Mentons enjoy northern life by becoming part of it

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and Jane stories. These little Dene children living in the far reaches of Canada were expected to learn how to read English by following the sun-splattered suburban lives of this little white boy and his sister.

Together with her husband, they began a quest to develop reading resources that were more appropriate to the north. Today, thanks in part to their efforts, many of the books young children read are written by aboriginals or reflect their lives. Some also use the syllabic language developed by the Anglican Church for prayer books and hymnals. Now when children bring these books home, they can read them with their grandparents, bringing the generations together in a way that was beyond the ken of Dick and Jane.

"Educationally it was a wide open field and we were committed to getting as much aboriginal culture in the schools as possible," says Mrs. Menton, who as well as teaching, was a vice-principal, principal and community college teacher of classroom teachers.

"There was a lot of pride," her husband agrees. His career path veered from teaching but rarely from education until the end. He was the second director of the Baffin Divisional School Board – the first school board to be created outside of Yellowknife – before he became the director of curriculum for NWT and finally, the executive assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Their profound respect for aboriginal culture fueled many of their activities, social and professional. One abiding accomplishment was the training of Inuit teaching assistants to become the teachers, decreasing the reliance on the come-from-away teachers who, unlike the Mentons, often only stayed a year or two.

As teachers, the Mentons also worked hard at turning the schools into community centres. In the past, many of the adults were nervous about coming into the imposing buildings. The Mentons helped to change all that. At Christmas they'd have a huge feast, inviting the elders, who were invaluable resources for them throughout the year. They also

tried to learn the language.

"We were in the right place at the right time with the right people," they say of how they were able to help effect so many positive changes.

Even when they weren't teaching, they were immersing themselves in traditional northern life. It got so that their sons wondered when they'd become Inuit.

"They saw themselves as part of each community," Mrs. Menton says of their homes in Fort Norman, Tuktoyaktut, Arctic Bay, Iqaluit and Yellowknife.

Mrs. Menton tells the delightful story of taking the children on a spring camp-

ing trip. By this time, the 24 hours of darkness had nearly become 24 hours of daylight, making bedtimes difficult. At home, they could put tinfoil and garbage bags on the window to create night, but in the tent, nothing they could do prevented the sun from pouring through the canvas. Son Jonathon finally said "will someone please turn out the lights?"

"It was a rich life," she says. "There are no regrets, just really fine memories."

As the boys aged, the Mentons decided to accept jobs in Yellowknife partly as a way of exposing them to "city" life so they could eventually make their own

choices about where to live

Indeed, the boys did decide to follow careers that would take them away from the north. Two now live in Lethbridge and one in Ottawa.

And their parents? They're busily continuing the work of transforming their house near Gooderham into their full-time home. They had bought the land in 1973 on the advice of the superintendent of education, who advised them to have a stake in property as a resource to fall back on. The land was near a cottage Mr Menton had visited when he was a boy.

Full-time residents for three years now, the Mentons carry on their tradition of getting involved with their community. They're members of the Haliburton Rotary Club and have also spent the last few months selling ads for the Echo's new large print phonebook.

"The time was right to leave the north," they say and their new life – their new adventure – in the Highlands has done nothing to convince them otherwise.



The Christmas concert at the school, above, was the social highlight of the season, with everyone from the community in attendance. At left, the Mentons and their three sons stand outside an igloo.

Dorothy's Bannock

7 cups of flour
1 heaping tsp salt
4 tbsp sugar
2 heaping tbsp baking powder
3 cups milk
raisins (desired quantity - optional)

1. Fill frying pan 1/2 full of melted shortening.
2. Mix dry ingredients well.
3. Add raisins (optional).
4. Make a well and pour in milk.
5. Stir around inside hollow (where the milk is) gradually mixing flour from the edges. Blend the dry ingredients and milk slowly and gradually or dough will go lumpy and hard instead of soft.
6. After mixing flour to a soft dough consistency, knead the dough.
7. Test shortening to make sure it is hot enough by dropping a small ball of dough. Pull a piece of dough from dough heap, flatten by stretching and pulling out. Make a hole in the centre and drop into the frying pan of hot shortening. Brown on one side and turn.

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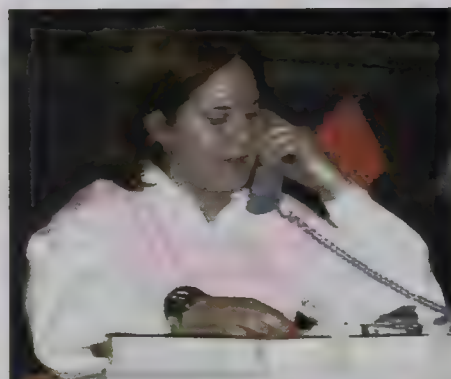
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At Thursday's assembly, students at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton focused a lot on some of the deeper meanings of Christmas - faith, hope and charity - and also provided the audience with more than a few laughs. Clockwise from top left, Kelly Lawr and Jennifer Galea sing a duet, the Grade 8s perform the 12 Days of Christmas (that's the partridge in the pear tree); Amanda Young plays a secretary; and Pere Noel dances and plays with Siobhan Creelman and Emily Turner.

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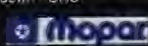


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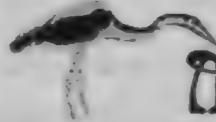
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• **Dec. 28: Daffodil Cancer Support Group**, Haliburton United Church: Cancer patients and families reaching out to help others cope with this disease. Contact people are Jean Casey 457-1010 and Helen Cox 286-2224.

• **Jan. 16: The Haliburton/Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers** will hold their Annual Meeting/Information Day on Tuesday, Jan. 16, in Bobcaygeon at the Cagion Lanes. Registration 9 a.m. with meeting at 10 a.m. Non-members are welcome. Day will include a tour of Martins' Sugar Camp. For further info. contact Bill at (705) 457-2176.

• **Feb. 1: LIFT, Ladies In Fellowship Together**, invite you back this New Year to celebrate the "Love" month at West Guilford Recreation Centre, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Special feature: "Creative Memories" with albums, Pat Wicks, Minden. Love Notes from soloist Phyllis Fisher, Peterborough. Speaker: "Creating a Memorable Story", Doreen Smith, Kennis Lake. Free admission - come out, bring a friend. You'll be "lifted". For more info call: Alice, 754-2808, or Lyn, 457-3155. Sponsored by Women's Ministries, West Guilford Baptist Church.

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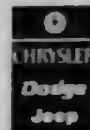
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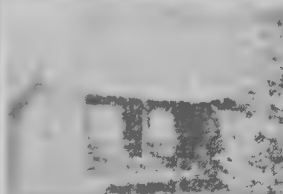


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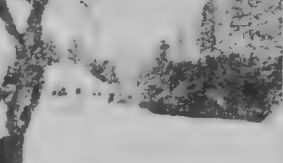
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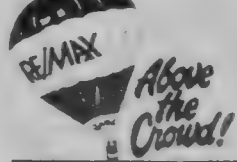
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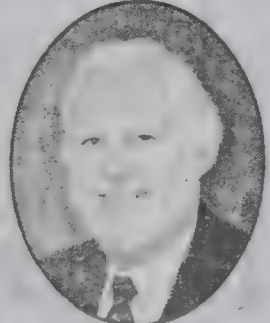
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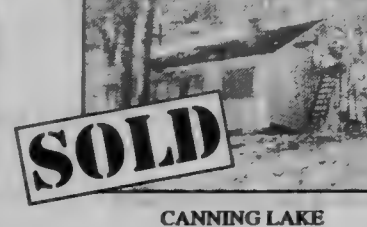
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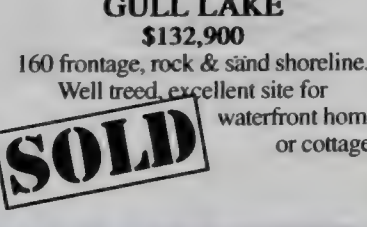
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German children's anticipation of the big event.

Local people who participated were Louise and Sid Cooper, Diana Johnson and Earl and me. Our daughter, Beth Cooper, also came to sing alto with Bill's choir. Maggie Milne provided native drum accompaniment to "Twas in the Moon of Wintertime". Christopher Chumbley managed all the lighting like a pro!

Loralyn Morgan led four separate choirs on December 17 at the Pavilion as the Northern Lights Pavilion is

becoming to be called. They were the Haliburton County Children's Choir, The Haliburton County Children's Chamber Choir, Youth Choir (new this year), and The Jubilate Chamber Singers, the new adult choir.

The talent in the family goes on in the person of Barrie Wood and Loralyn's daughter, Maradyn who not only accompanied a soloist on her harp but played "What Child is

This" as well on this beautiful instrument. Wayne Cooper stepped in to fill a role at the last minute in the Jubilate section. "He did a super job" was one

person's comment

Home Support Services calendar included Wheels to Meals at The Corner Café on December 6 and December 20, and the Adult Day Program on December 5, 12 and 19 at the office area in Halco Plaza, 9 to 4 p.m. Cribbage starts at 1 p.m. on Fridays. Phone 457-2941 for further information.

Another happy Christmas event happened at Guilford's Chapel on Sunday evening beginning with a beautiful turkey dinner for the congregation and friends and celebrating with an entertainment by the children to the delight of all present.

Best wishes to all near and far to all readers of this column for a very happy Christmas season.

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Eleanor Cooper

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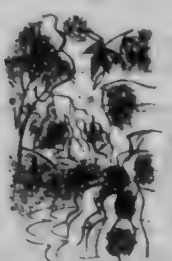
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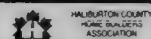


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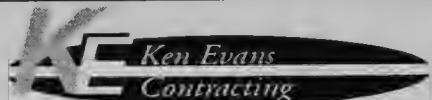
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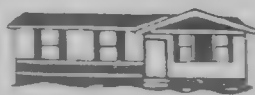
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It was good to hear the principal ask everyone to listen as the Grade 4, 5 and 6 students did a fine choral speaking rendition of that old and new favourite How the Grinch Stole Christmas. And, wasn't it great when everyone did. It is so important for the children to be shown some respect as they nervously and bravely perform before an auditorium full of people. What an accomplishment to get all those Grade 6 kids playing two pieces on recorders and singing alternately. A Grade 5 ensemble sang What Child Is This and Snowy Flakes. All the classes joined in singing, We Wish You a Merry Christmas.

Thanks to teachers, students and the Monmouth Seniors for this traditional annual event. The seniors and Santa presented each child with a nice bag of treats before they departed the hall. All of them are to be congratulated for coping with no stage and other inconveniences as the Lloyd Watson has felt the effects of renovations for Highlands East offices.

There are still tickets at Agnew's and LCBO for the New Year's Eve party/dance at the Lloyd Watson presented by the Millennium Committee. Only \$12 to dance to Candlelight Combo, enjoy light refreshments and to say goodbye to Monmouth and hello to Highlands East. Get those tickets soon!

There is one last special meeting of Monmouth Council at 2 p.m. on Friday, December 29, 2000, last business day of the year, to look after accounts, etc. Drop in for a coffee. The people of Monmouth have been well served by various councils and dedicated staff since 1881 and it is with some sadness we see it come to an end. But we rejoice in the great efforts of so many volunteers showing thoughtful leadership and willingness to work over the years. It is not without spirit and effort that we have a fine arena, community halls, library, fire halls, curling rink, a preserved historic church, the Outpost Historic House,

the annual Agricultural Fair and Country Good Times festival, as well as hockey leagues and figure skating. And having published two books about the area "Monmouth Township 1881 - 1982" and "Mustard Plasters and Handcars" in recent decades should not go unrecognized. These will all be here and flourishing as we become part

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of Highlands East. Restructured we may be, but the people here can all be depended on to lead, to support and to work for the benefit of others. Thanks to all for one hundred and nineteen years of amazing community spirit and accomplishments. Goodbye Monmouth.

Do check all those great notice boards at the IGA.

Agnew's and the Variety Store for all the current activities and programs at local churches, halls, arena, etc.

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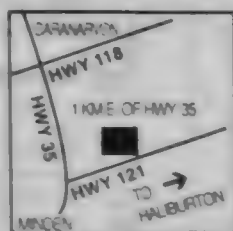
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Getting help keeping that smoke-free resolution

New Year's is traditionally the time of year when many smokers make a resolution to stop smoking says Public Health Inspector Kris Kadwell. It's a difficult decision, and for some, it may be the first of many attempts to kick this habit. For some smokers, it will take a number of attempts before they are able to finally stop smoking, he says.

"Making the decision to quit is the important first step in breaking this habit," says Kadwell. "Only you can decide when you're ready to quit smoking."

Research indicates that people go through a series of stages when they move from smoking to becoming smoke-free. The first sign of motion is when a smoker considers the idea of quitting, even if he or she is not ready to do anything about it yet. In Ontario, one in every four people smoke despite medical evidence that tobacco kills more than 12,000 people every year.

The Health Unit also has information and resources to support professionals in this important role. "Calling It Quits" is a guide to what is available free of charge to assist smokers with quitting. This pamphlet lists where to find printed self-help materials, group cessation programs, telephone support, as well as supportive and interactive web sites. There are also a few tips on quitting and a list of some of the positive effects on the body that occur as they become smoke-free.

The "Smoke-Free Living Program" is the Health Unit's free group cessation program. Participants prepare to quit, quit, and learn how to stay smoke-free during the six facilitated sessions. Information on healthy eating and being active is also provided as strategies to maintain weight and a healthy lifestyle. Follow-up telephone support by the facilitator continues until the participant has been smoke-free for six months.

A variety of self-help guides are also available at the Health Unit. The Canadian Cancer Society has recently produced two series of "One Step at a Time" guides specifically for teens and for adults. "Stopping When You're Ready" produced by the Ontario Tobacco Strategy is designed with the needs and concerns of pregnant women in mind. Each of these guides is based on the change theory and allow the smoker to go directly to the stage that suits them best and move on from there.

"Planning for the event can make it easier to quit smoking," says Kadwell. "Ensuring you have support, encouragement and incentives along the way can help ensure success."

If you are considering quitting smoking, the following tips can help you become smoke-free:

- recognize that smoking is a psychological and physical addiction and quitting will be difficult

- find a strong personal reason to quit - pregnancy, health, money

- set a date to quit when you are feeling less stressed and are more likely to succeed

- talk to your doctor and investigate aids to help you quit smoking

- identify what triggers your desire to smoke and decide whether you need to avoid them or change your response to them

- decide whether you will quit cold turkey or gradually cut down. Studies show that physical withdrawal symptoms may be worse if you cut down gradually

- find a supportive friend to act as a buddy while you are becoming smoke-free

- plan ahead how you will deal with any difficult situations or relapses

- reward your self for your successes, and if you don't succeed this time, try again.

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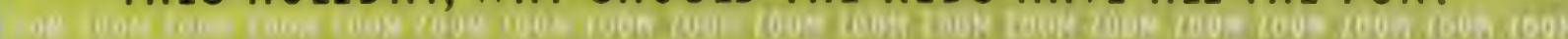
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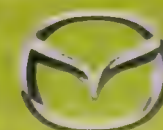
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The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, North Shore Rd, Stanhope, Ontario, on the 5th day of January, 2001, at the hour of 2:30 p.m. and at that time the Council will hear any person or by his Counsel, Solicitor or Agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED: November 28, 2000

Diane J. Griffin,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Corporation of the Township of
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This original shore road allowance is located in front of Lot 12, Concession 1, Township of McClintock, along the shore of Harvey Lake and upon being closed and stopped up will be sold to owners of land abutting.

Part 4 - Weidner; and Part 3 - Ministry of Natural Resources.



NOTICE MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, January 8th, 2001, a by-law to rename a portion of North Kennis Drive.

The portion of North Kennis Drive affected by the proposed by-law is shown on Plans 585 to 590 inclusive, south of the Kennis River. The portion of North Kennis Drive north of the Kennis River is not affected by this by-law.

The proposed name is West Shore Drive.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that he will be adversely affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 am. to 5:00 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 11th day of December, 2000.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Township Planner

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The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, North Shore Rd., Stanhope, Ontario, on the 5th day of January, 2001 at the hour of 2:00 p.m., and at that time the Council will hear any person or by his Counsel, Solicitor or Agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED: November 22, 2000.

Diane J. Griffin,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Corporation of the Township of
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Lawrence and Nightingale.

This original shore road allowance is located in front of Lot 9, Concession 4, Township of Livingstone, along the shore of Livingstone Lake and upon being closed and stopped up will be sold to owners of land abutting.

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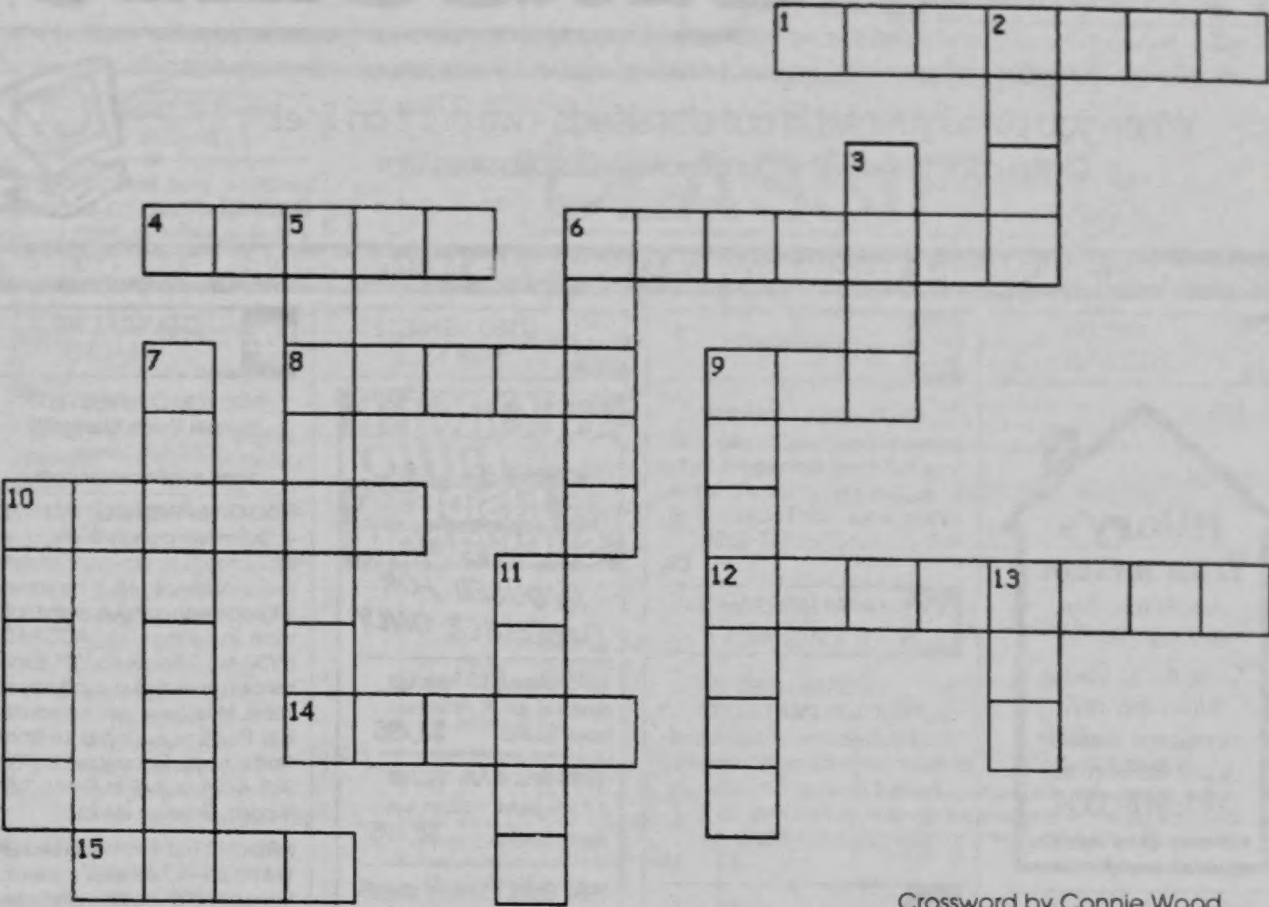
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6. Exercise can help you ____ clear of the complications of diabetes.
7. Exercise will help to ____ your blood sugar level.
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10. Those with diabetes should exercise to prevent ____ disease.
11. Before, during and after exercise, you should ____ plenty of water.
13. ____ 9 miles and you will have burned about 500 calories.



Crossword by Connie Wood

Answers

15. Feet
14. Stair
12. Calories
10. Hockey
9. Cut
8. Alone
6. Strains
4. Buddy
1. Stretch
13. Run
11. Drink
10. Heart
9. Checkup
7. Decrease
6. Steer
5. Diabetes
3. Diet
2. Eyes

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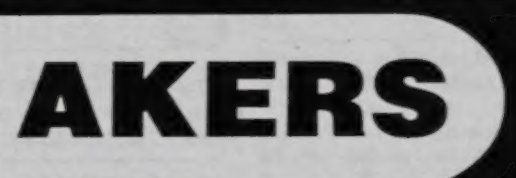
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708 OBITUARIES

**FLORENCE GERTRUDE
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Passed away peacefully at the
Ross Memorial Hospital,
Lindsay with her family present
on Thursday, December 14,
2000 in her 87th year.

Beloved wife of the late Perce
Sherman. Predeceased by her sis-
ter Sarah Street and by her brother
John McDonough. Fondly re-
membered by her sisters-in-law
Peggy McDonough and Lovena
West, by her brother-in-law Al Street
and by her many nieces and
nephews. Friends were invited to
visit the family at the Gordon A.
Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main
St., Minden (1-888-588-5777)
K0M 2K0 on Sunday, December
17th, 2000 from 12:00 o'clock noon
until the time of the Funeral Service
in the Chapel at 3:00 p.m. Recep-
tion followed at the Minden United
Church (downstairs). Interment will
be held at the Kilmount Cemetery
in the spring. Memorial donations
to the Heart and Stroke Foundation
or to the Charity of your choice
would be appreciated by the fami-
ly. Eastern Star Service was held
at the Funeral Home on Sunday at
1:30. CA

709 IN MEMORIAM

BILLINGS, GLEN ROBERT - In
loving memory of a dear son and
brother who passed away sudden-
ly on December 27, 1999.
Peacefully sleeping, resting at
last,
His weary trials and troubles past;
In silence he suffered, in
patience he bore,
Till God called him home to suffer
no more.
Always remembered. Love Mom
and family.

BILLINGS, GLEN ROBERT - In
loving memory of our Daddy who
passed away suddenly December
27, 1999.
If we had all the world to give,
We'd give it and more
To hear your voice, see your
smile
And meet you at the door.
Missing you Daddy. Love Alicia
and Crystal.

CRAFTCHICK, BOBBY - In lov-
ing memory of our son Bobby (The
Rig) Craftchick.
In a quiet country graveyard,
Where gentle breezes blow,
Lies the one we love so dearly,
Whom we lost three years ago,
Your resting-place we visit,
Place flowers there with care,
But no one knows the heartache,
As we turn and leave you there.
Forever in our hearts, until we meet
again. Lovingly remembered and
sadly missed, by Mom and Dad,
Sister Cathy, and her husband
Peter, brother Rick and his wife
Tracy, little brothers, Ronnie and
Jamie. And his niece Cheyenne
and nephew Petey.

CRAFTCHICK, ROBERT - In
memory of our dear brother and un-
cle, Robert Craftchick who was
called away suddenly on Decem-
ber 27, 1997.
Words cannot express the sorrow
in our hearts,
We were family by chance, but
friends by choice,
And though three years have
come and gone,
Since you were called away,
We still long to hear your voice,
And miss you every day.
Deeply loved and missed by Cathy,
Peter, Cheyenne and Little Pete.

CRAFTCHICK, ROBERT - In
memory of my Uncle Bob, who
passed away suddenly on Decem-
ber 27, 1997.
Uncle Bob helped me,
Uncle Bob was fun,
He let me pet his Iguana,
He shared, he cared, he gave,
He was nice,
He loved me and he still does.
Deeply loved and missed by
Cheyenne.

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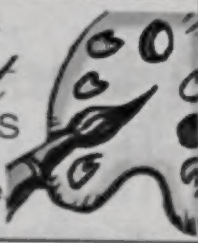
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709 IN MEMORIAM

JOHNSON, EDITH - In loving memory of our sweet Gramma and Great Gramma who left us December 25, 1994. We think of you in silence. We often speak your name. All we have is memories. And your picture in a frame. Our hearts still ache with sadness. Our silent tears still flow. For what it meant to lose you Gramma. No one will ever know. Forever loved and always cherished, **Patti, Ryan, Cole, Kim, Rick, Angela and Tony.**

SHARPLESS, GORDON - In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who passed away December 25, 1997. Always a smile, instead of a frown. Always a hand, when one was down. Always true, thoughtful and kind. Wonderful memories he left behind. Sadly missed by the **Sharpless family.**

710 LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE AUDREY LUELLA BANNON

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of **AUDREY LUELLA BANNON**, late, of the Township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 6th day of November, 2000, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 2nd day of January, 2001.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled here-to by the Executor/Administrator of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 12th day of December, 2000. **RAYMOND G. SELBIE**, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. CA

712 CARDS OF THANKS

DURING OUR RECENT family crisis, the loss of Myra, the serious injuries to Faye and the injuries to Mabel, many people need to be thanked. Thank you to Dr. Karagunesian, the ambulance drivers, special mention to Bill Davis, Rev. Chris Greaves, VCARS (a wonderful organization), St. Michael's Hospital, Sunnybrook and Haliburton Hospitals. Thank you to our close friends and family for their prayers, cards and well wishes. Thank you to a loving community. **Gord and Mabel Everall.**

HOW CAN WE EVER BEGIN to thank Betty and David Mills, Ann and Don Barker, the Haliburton Lions Club, Reverend Christopher Greaves, Dwaine Lloyd of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home? This includes the many anonymous people who in their own personal way were there to support our children, Jim and Carol Lawr with the loss of their infant son John. To Carol Dewey of Teddy Time, thank you for the special Holy Bear to accompany wee John on his journey home to God. We are most grateful to the Hospital for Sick Children and Peterborough Civic Hospital for all the special support and care given to John's twin brother Matthew. He is now home with his family. Thankfully he is doing well. We are most fortunate to live in such a caring community with such special people. **Jack and Mary Lawr.** CA

712 CARDS OF THANKS

WE WOULD like to thank Grant and Scott Rae for cleaning off the house and garage and driveway after the big snow storm. It's nice to have friends like them. Thanks again Grant and Scott, it was a big help. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you. **Ted, Dorothy and Leslie Iles.**

THANK YOU to my family and friends for their calls, visits, gifts and flowers during my recent illness. Special thanks to Dr. Gammon, Dr. Ferracuti, nurses and staff at Haliburton Hospital for their excellent care. Thanks to nurse Kim and ambulance drivers Gene and Lee for making the trip to Ottawa uneventful. **Barb Schellenberg.**

YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS. He lives in the hearts of people like Carol Dewey of Teddy Time. Her community generosity and the support she has given to many people says it all. Most of these things she does quietly with little thanks in return. I personally thank her for the times she sent Ruggles to support my family during the tragic times. Her thoughtfulness of the Holy Bears to accompany Mom, and wee John on their journey home to God touched our family very deeply. Thank you Carol, and to Ruggles. There are times we all need that special bear hug. **Jack and Mary Lawr.** CA

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